

Water Conditions Summary

Operations Control and Technical Support Department

Operations & Maintenance Resource Area

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June 13, 2002



Meteorological Conditions

- May continued the trend of below average rainfall this dry season
 - 2001/2002 dry season exhibited below average rainfall:
 70% of average
- May Rainfall : District-wide rainfall was 81% of average

Normal Rainfall: 4.32 inches

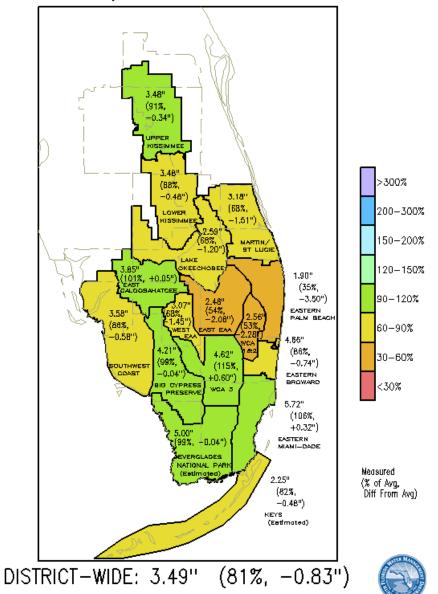
Actual Rainfall: 3.51 inches

Est. Pan Evaporation: 6.30 inches

June Rainfall: To-date District-wide rainfall is 70% of average

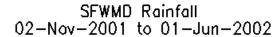
- May exhibited below average rainfall over most of the District.
- Upper Kissimmee & Monroe, Miami-Dade, Hendry & Collier counties received near average rainfall
- Palm Beach County received well below normal rainfall

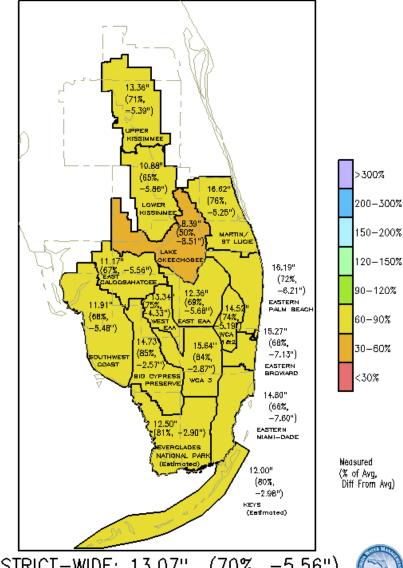
SFWMD Rainfall 02-May-2002 to 01-Jun-2002



GrADS: COLA/IGES

- 2001 2002 dry season exhibited below average rainfall over most of the District.
 - 70% of average
 - 18.63 in. (normal)
 - 13.07 in. (actual)
 - 5.56 in. below avg.
- Lake Okeechobee received well below average rainfall
 - 50% of average (~8) in)

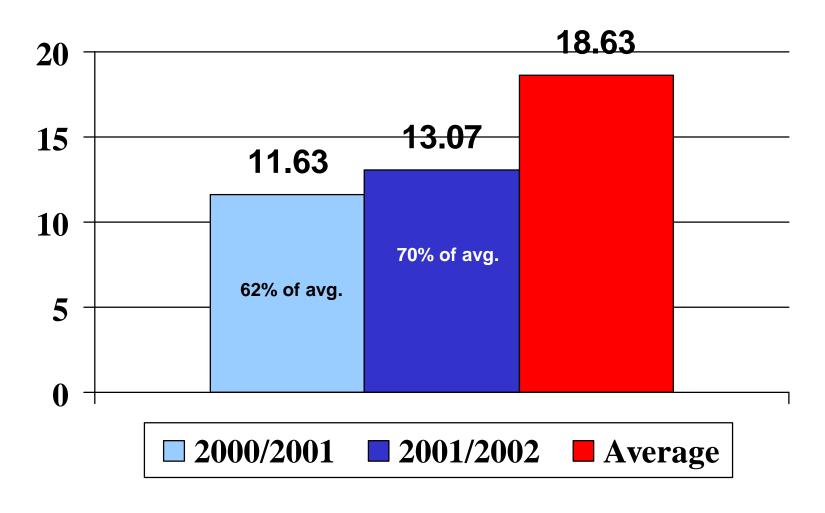




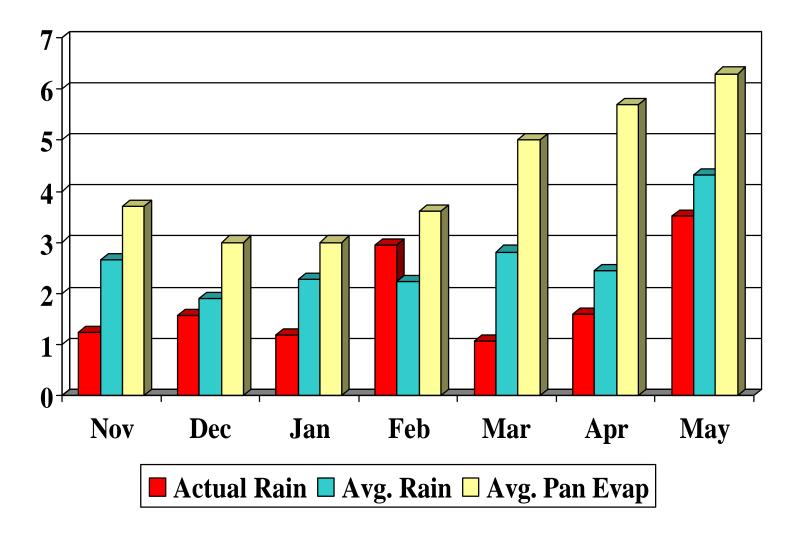
DISTRICT-WIDE: 13.07" (70%, -5.56")

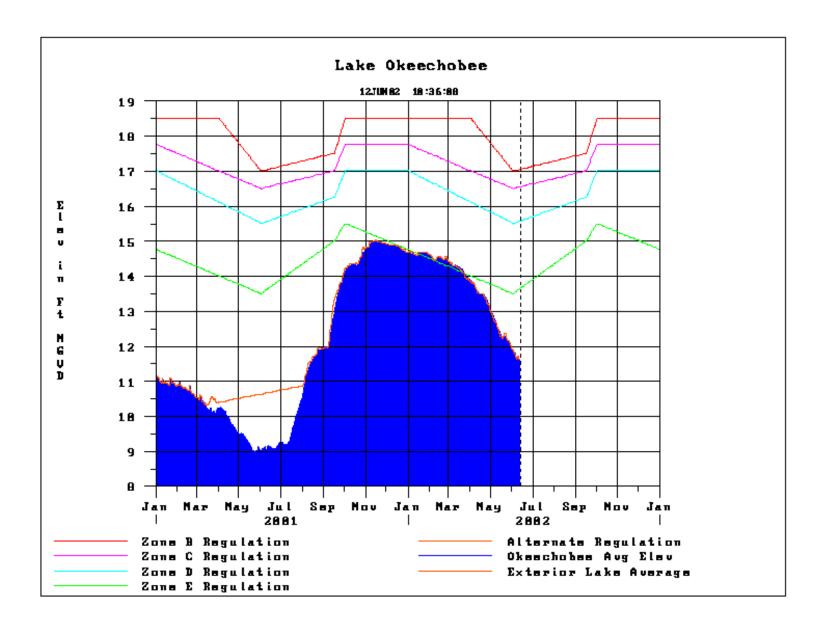


SFWMD November-May Rainfall



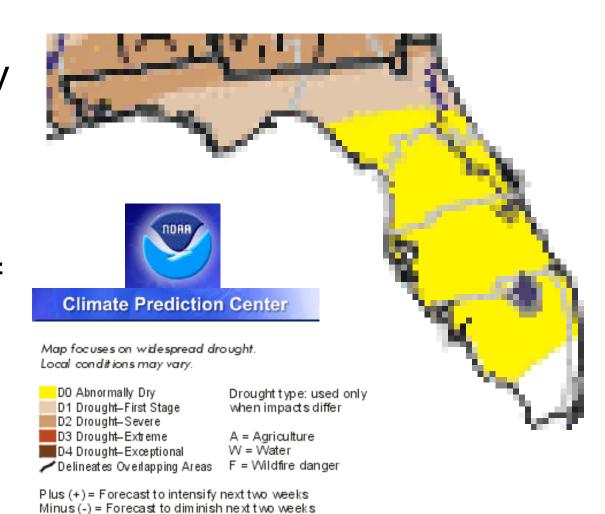
2001 / 2002 Monthly Rainfall & Evaporation





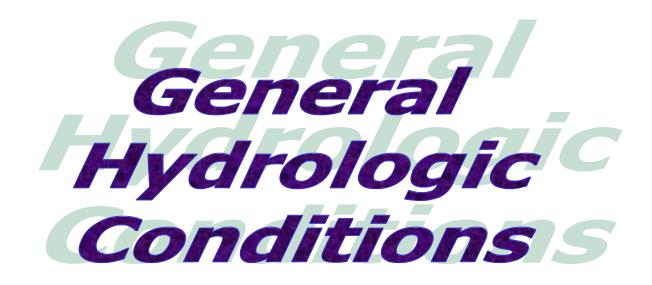
Current Climate Conditions

 Abnormally dry hydrologic conditions are indicated across most of District in the latest CPC drought outlook



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No sign = No change in drought classification forecast



General Hydrologic Conditions

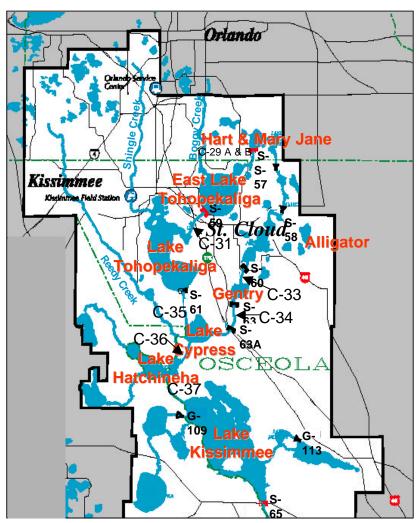
- G Upper Chain Normal seasonal levels
- **G** Kissimmee River Normal seasonal levels
- G Lake Okeechobee Below normal levels
- **Y** Lake Okeechobee Agriculture Short-term water supply concerns if dry conditions persist
- Y Estuaries Mod. salinity in Caloosahatchee

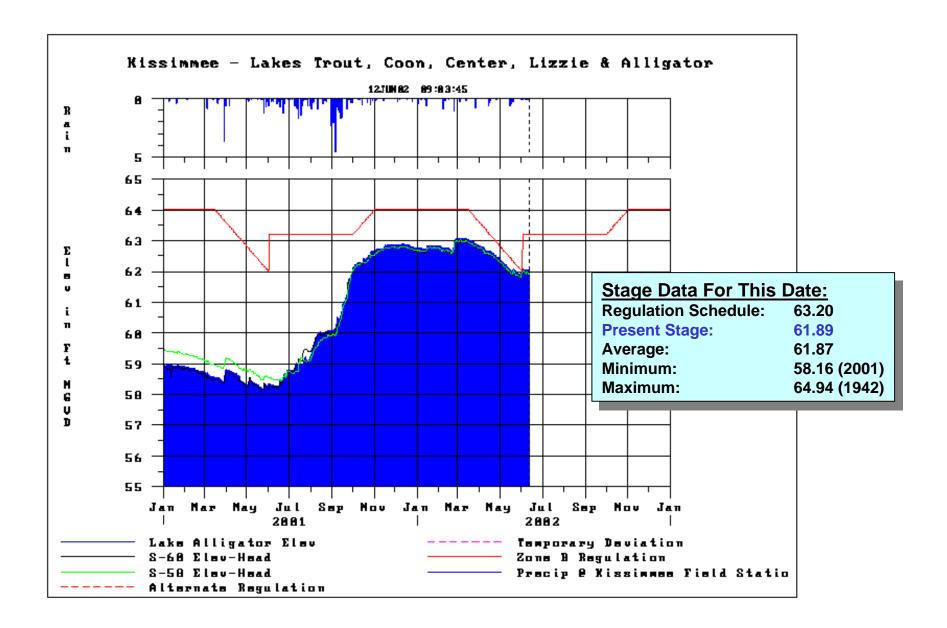
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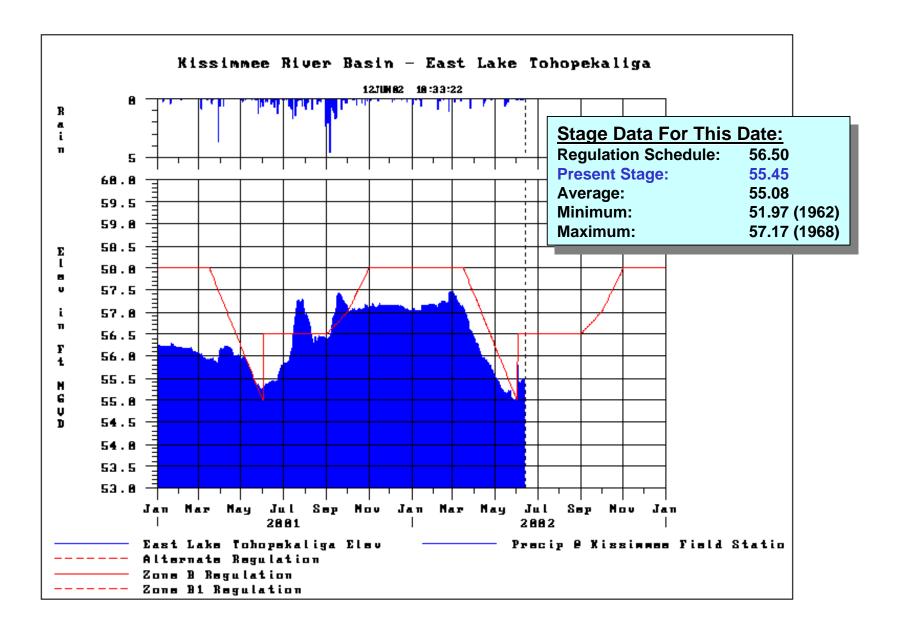
- **Water Conservation Area 1** > Norm. Stages
- **G** Water Conservation Area 2 > Norm. Stages
- Water Conservation Area 3 Norm. Stages
- **GENP** Normal seasonal conditions
- GFI. Bay Normal seasonal conditions
- GUpper East Coast Norm. canal levels
- G Lower East Coast Norm. groundwater
- Y Lower West Coast Low. groundwater

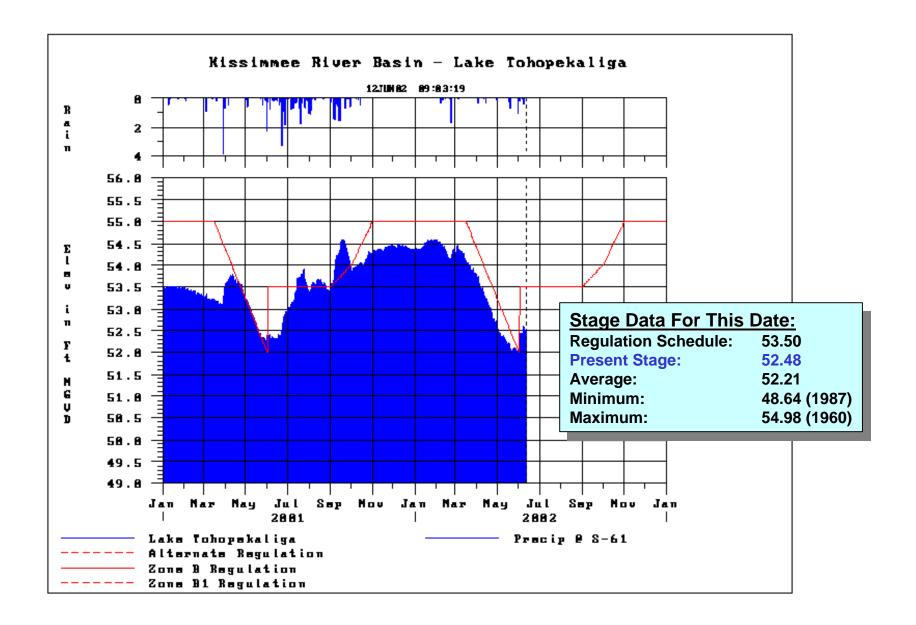
Hydrologic Conditions Upper Kissimmee Basins

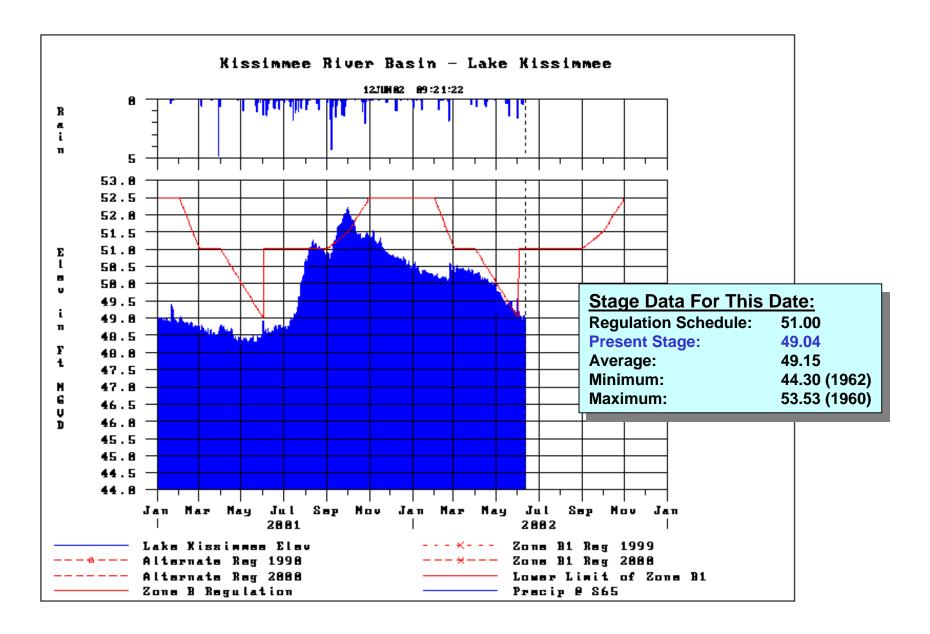
- All lakes are between 0.3 and 2 ft. below their regulation schedule
 - This condition is typical at the the start of the wet season
 - Provides flood storage in lakes
- Minor environmental releases (~300 - 400 cfs) from Lake Kissimmee continue in accordance with the interim restoration schedule



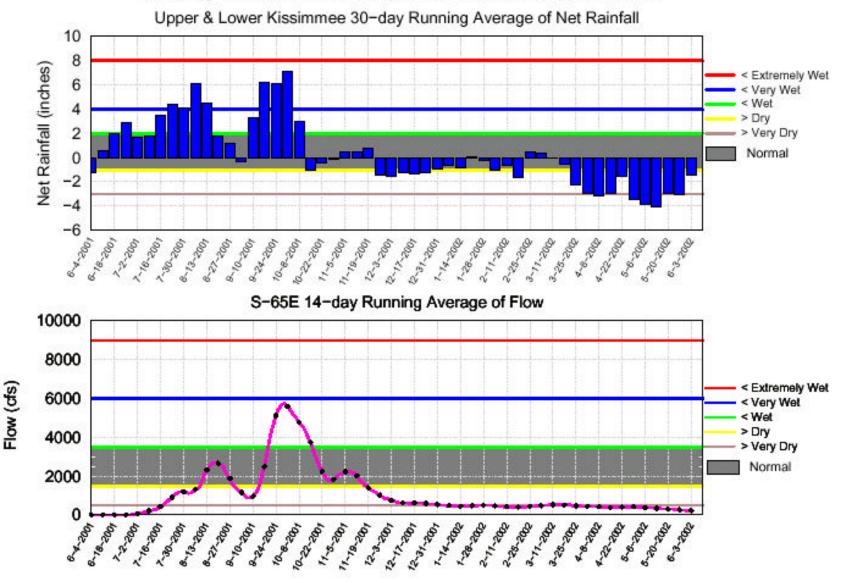








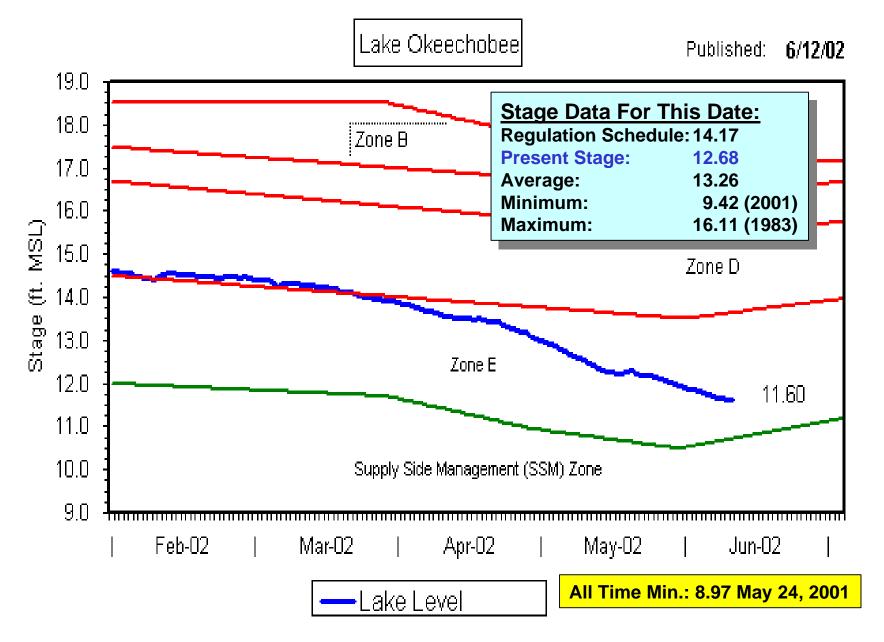
Tributary Basin Condition Indicators as of June 3, 2002



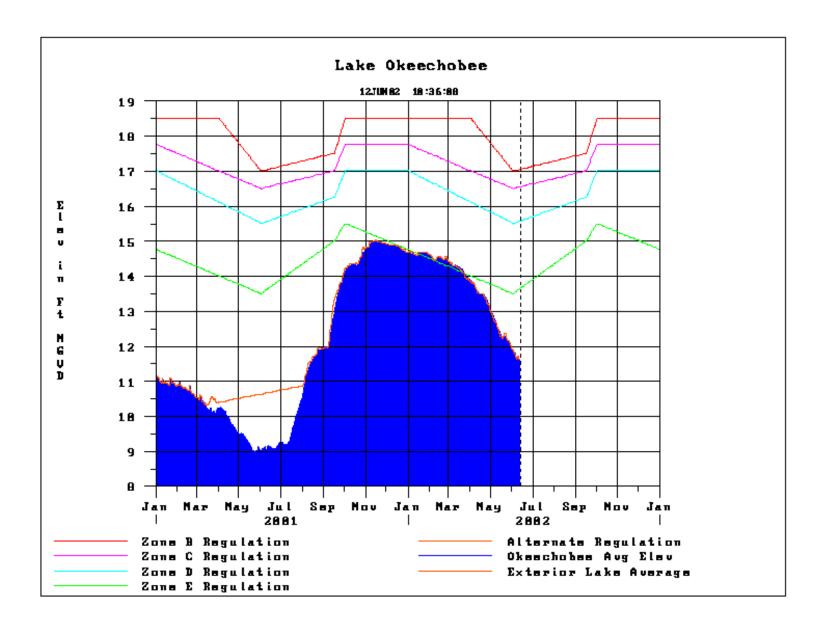
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Hydrologic Conditions Lake Okeechobee

- Lake Okeechobee stages have continued to recede in response to below average dry season rainfall over the past month
- Water supply releases are decreasing as demands are reduced by recent early wet season rainfall



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Lake Okeechobee Current Operations

- Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (WSE)
 - Stages presently in Zone E
 - Below normal Kissimmee River inflows
 - Normal rainfall
 - Wet seasonal forecast
 - Wet multi-seasonal forecast
- No required regulatory discharge to the WCAs
- No required regulatory discharge to estuaries

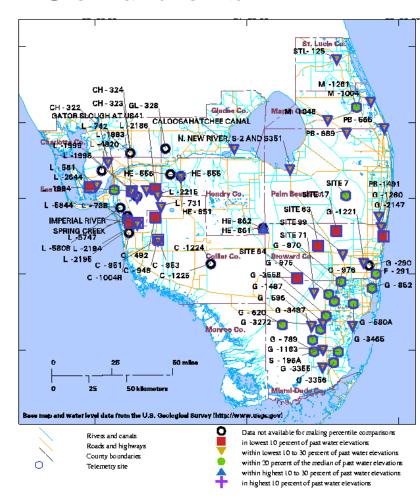


Caloosahatchee River Water Deliveries

- Small releases were initiated in mid-December to moderate high salinity
- Estuary water deliveries were stopped on April 26th
 - Approximately 120,000 ac-ft of water has been released from Lake Okeechobee to the estuary
 - 39.2 billion gallons
 - 0.27 ft. of equivalent lake depth
- High chloride levels at the Olga Water Treatment Plant intakes required water supply releases on May 4th and another on June 1st

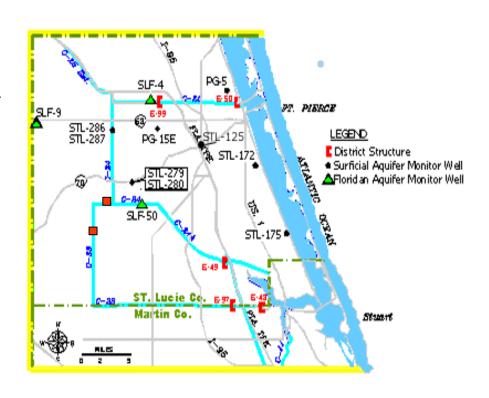
Hydrologic Conditions Groundwater Conditions

- Upper East Coast, Lower East Coast
 - Normal seasonal levels
- Lower West Coast Region:
 - Low levels are improving in areas

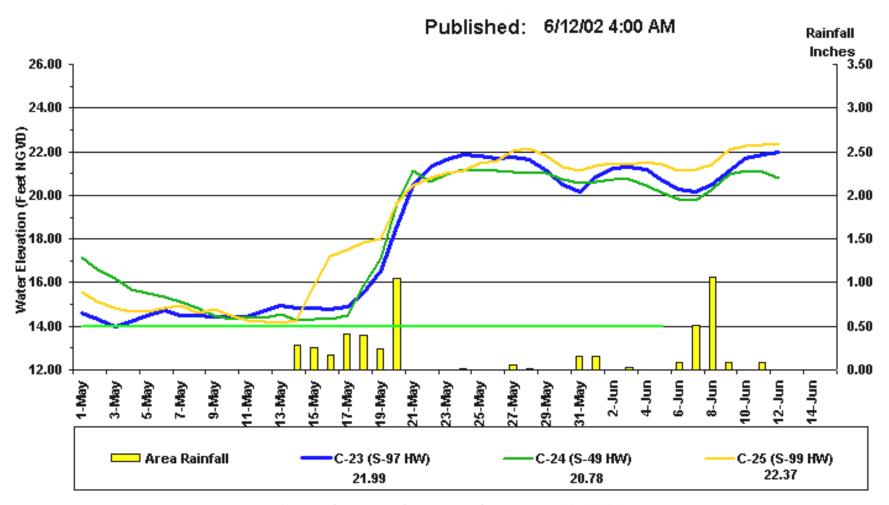


Upper East Coast

 Water levels in the C-23, C-24 & C-25 canals have rebounded in response to early wet season rainfall



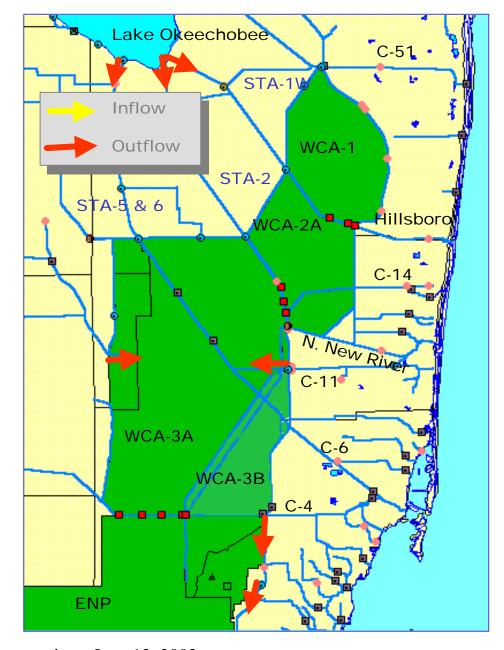
Upper East Coast Structures on C-23, C-24 & C-25



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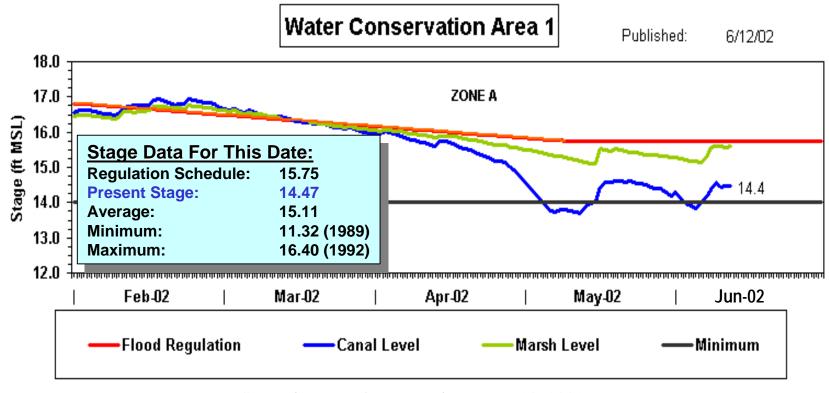
Water Conservation Areas

- WCA stages are currently above their environmental "floors"
- No releases are currently being made to meet water supply demands
 - Minor "pass-through" deliveries for LEC water supply were made thru WCA-1 in early June
- No regulatory releases required at this time



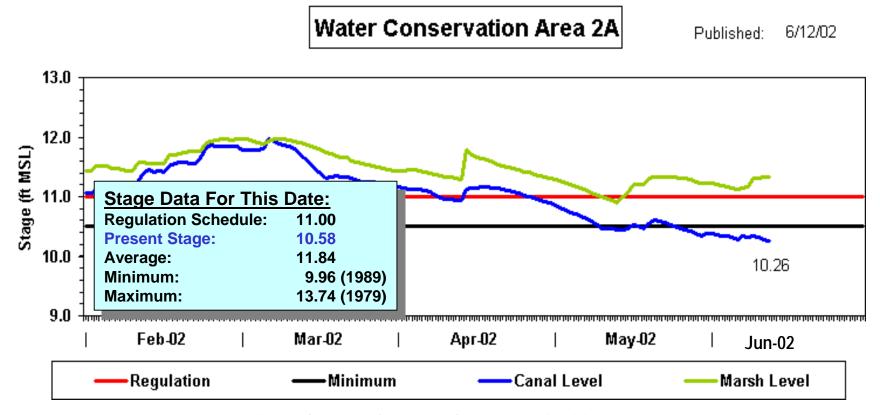
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- Stages briefly below the environmental floor in June
- Water from Lake Okeechobee was brought in to offset water supply releases to LEC



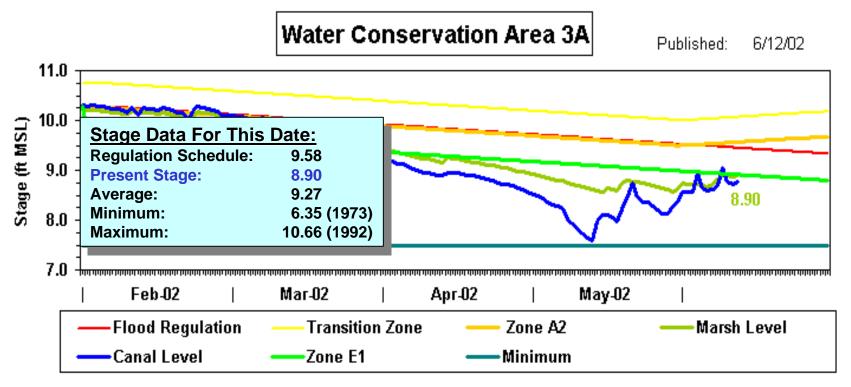
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- WCA-2A stages below "floor" elevation (10.5 ft. NGVD)
- No water supply releases required



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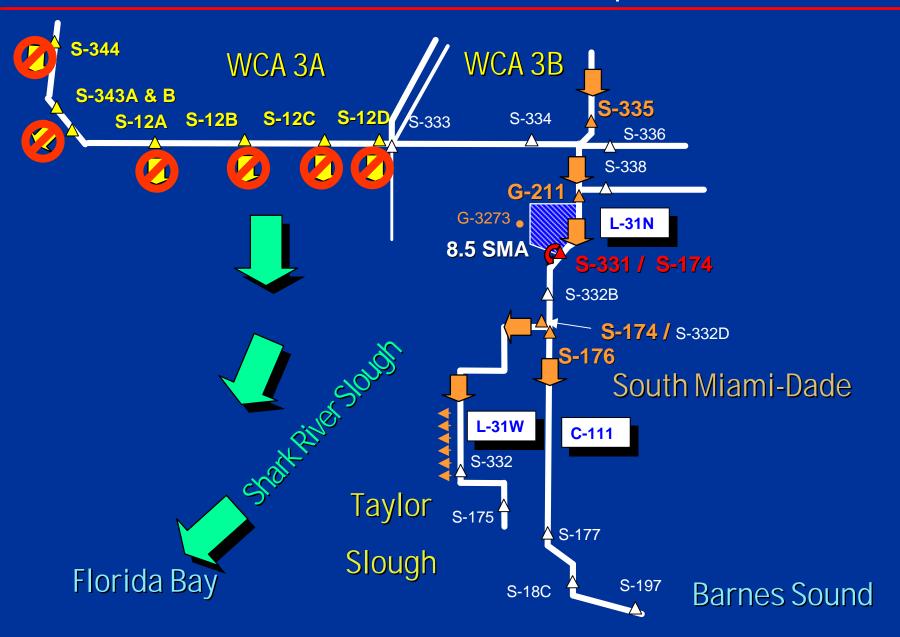
- WCA-3A stages presently above "floor" (7.5 ft. NGVD) and rising
- Stages approaching lower zone of the regulation schedule



Hydrologic Conditions SDCS - ISOP 2001 Current Operations

- ISOP 2001 criteria continues to be followed and closely coordinated with the USACE.
- WCA-3A Operations are currently supporting water supply demands
 - Urban / Agriculture
 - Everglades National Park / Florida Bay

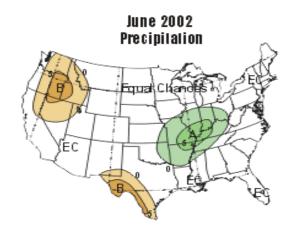
SDCS - ISOP 2001 June Operations

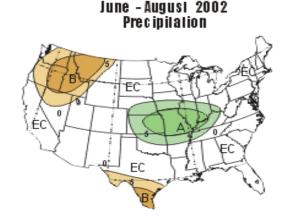




Seasonal Climatic Outlook

 CPC reports that the period from June to August 2002 has no increased probability for either above or below average precipitation

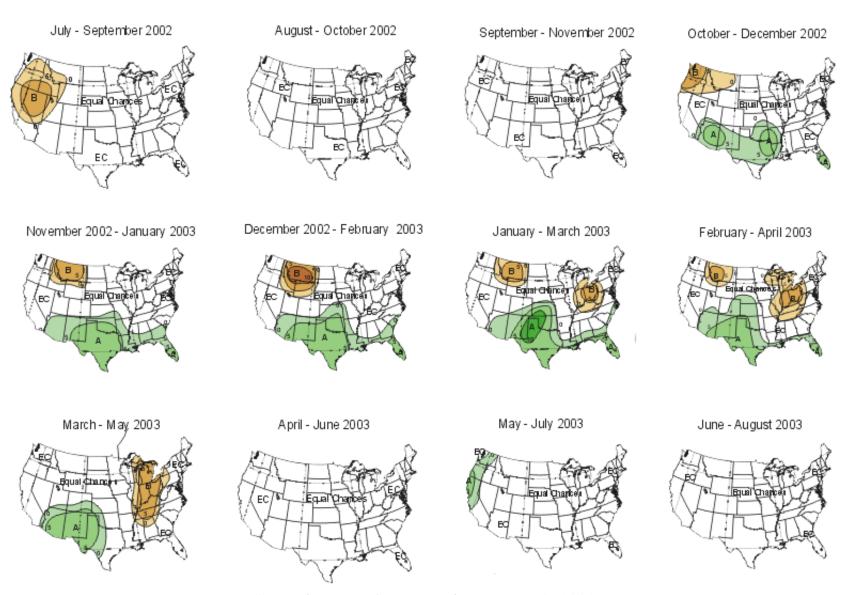




Release Date: May 16, 2002

Precipitation

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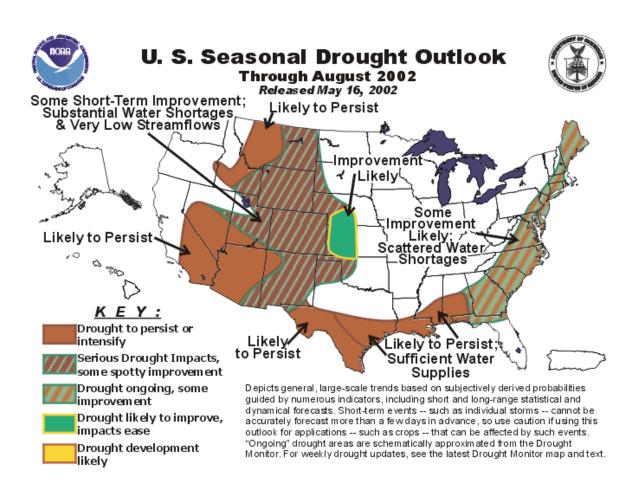


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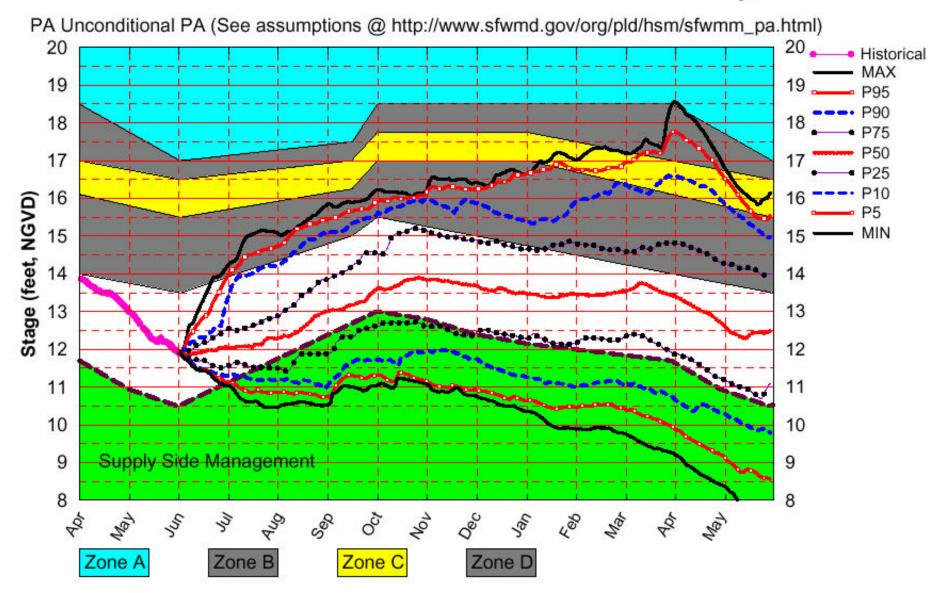


Drought Outlook

No drought conditions expected through at least through August 2002

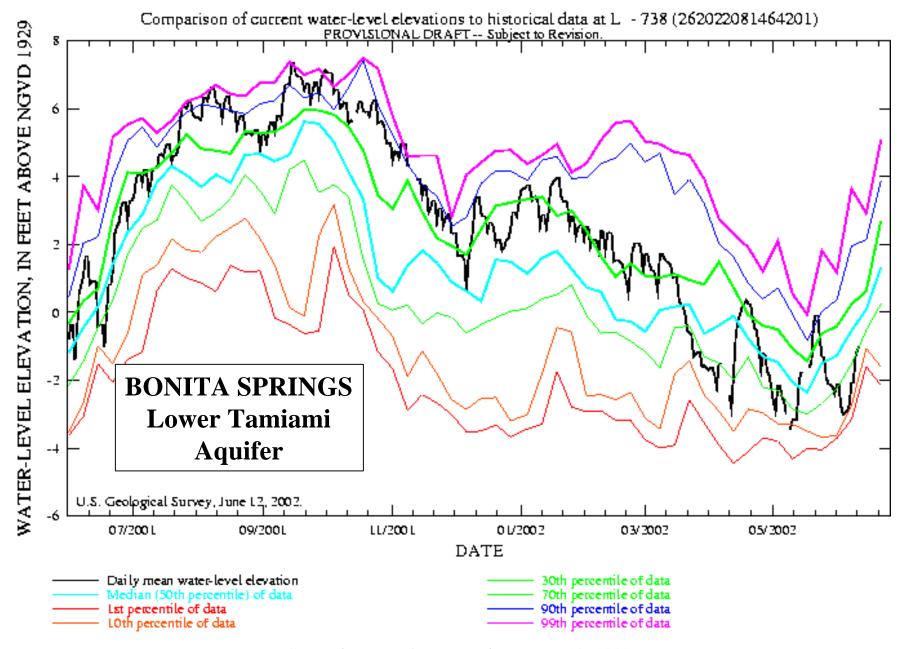


Lake Okeechobee SFWMM Jun 2002 Position Analysis

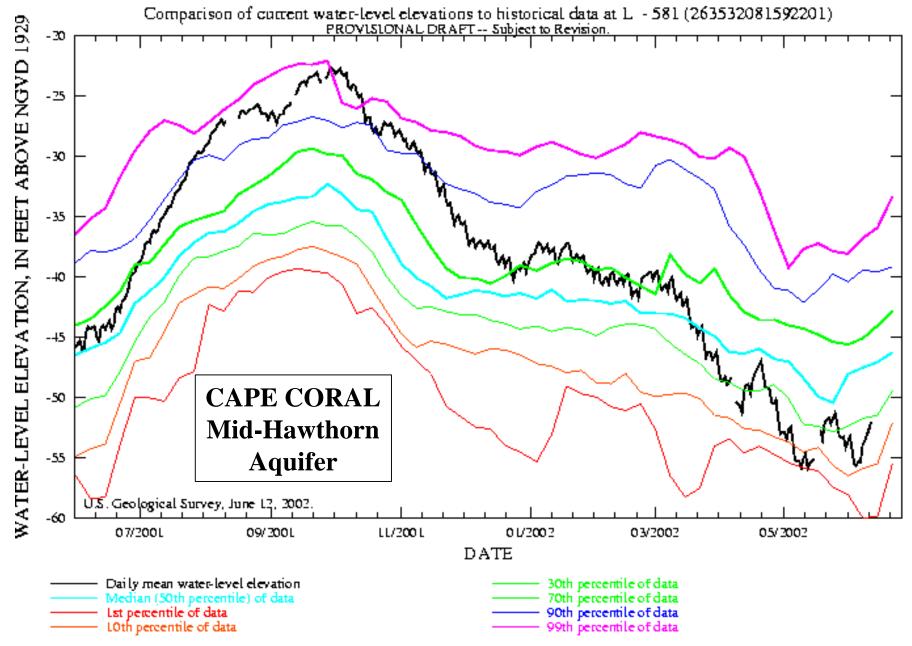




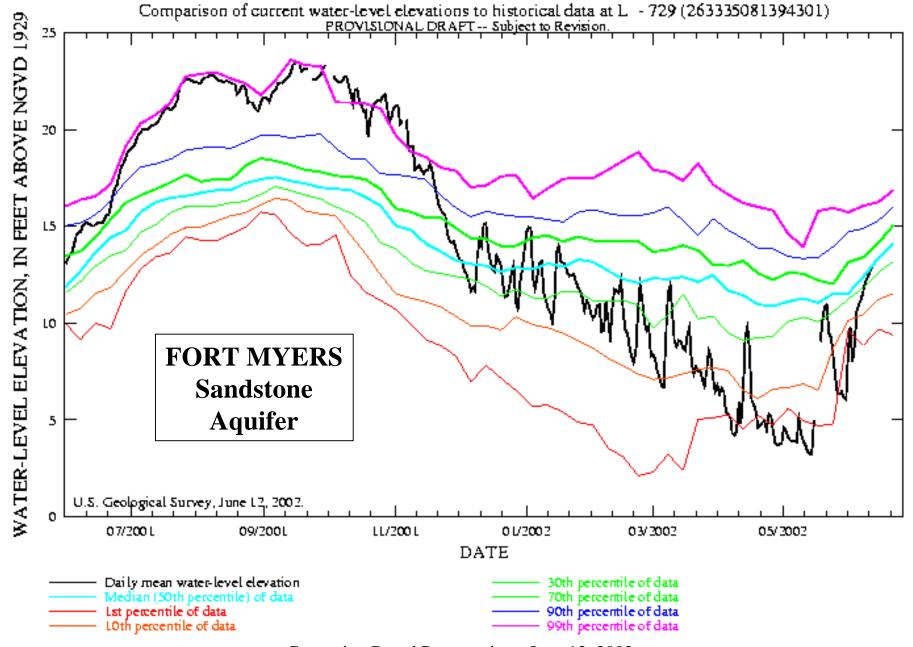
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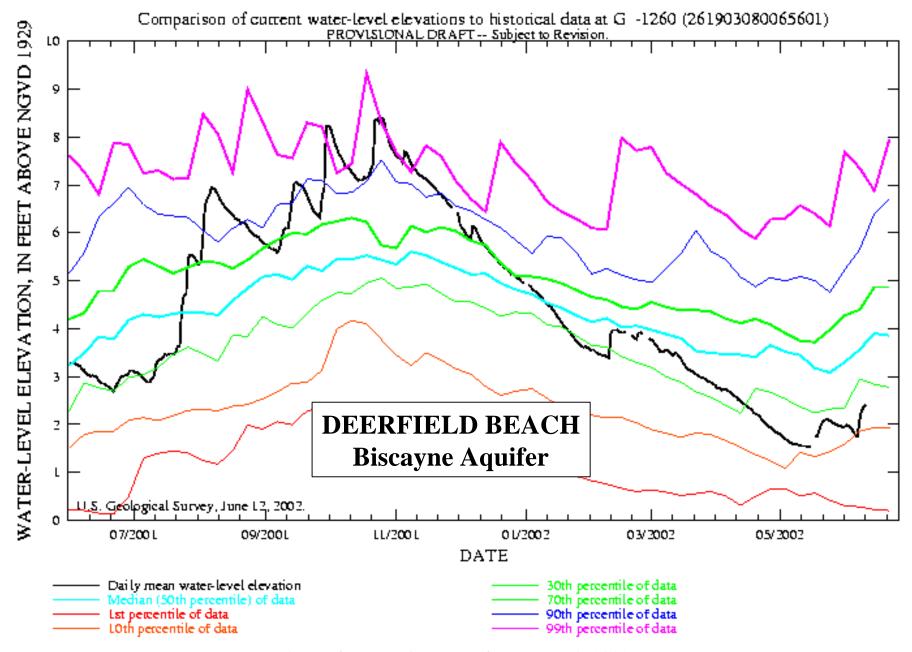
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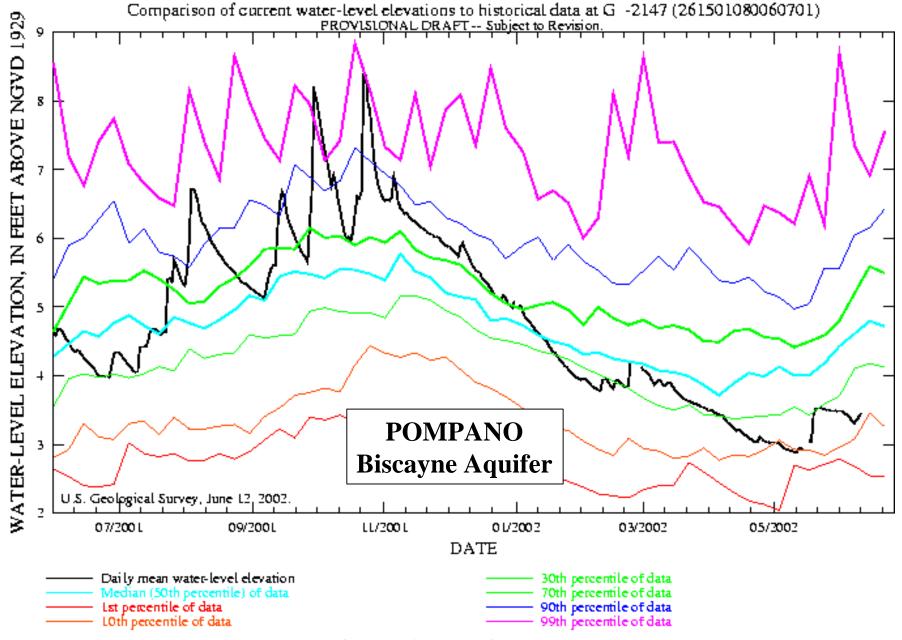
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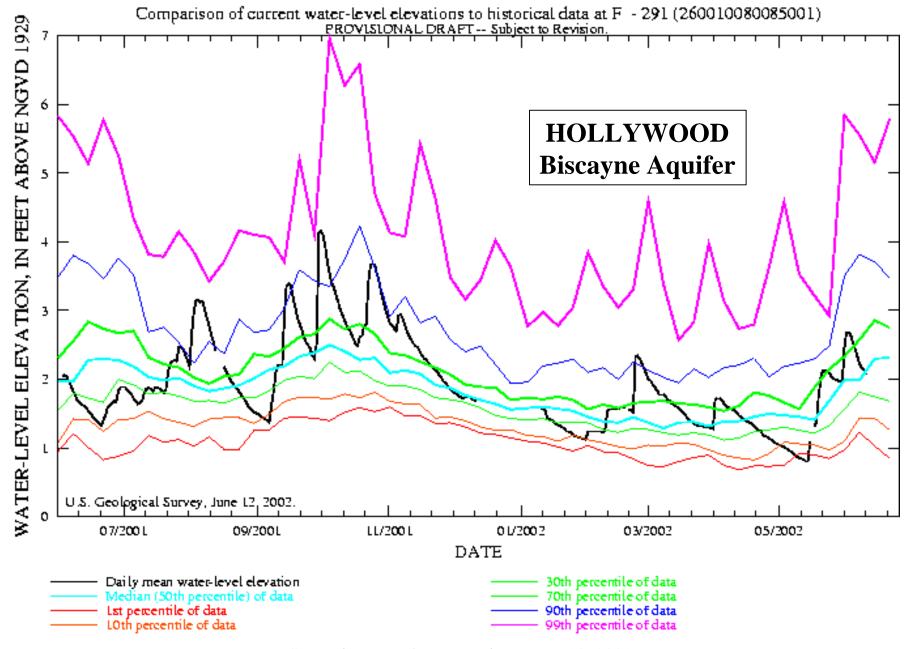
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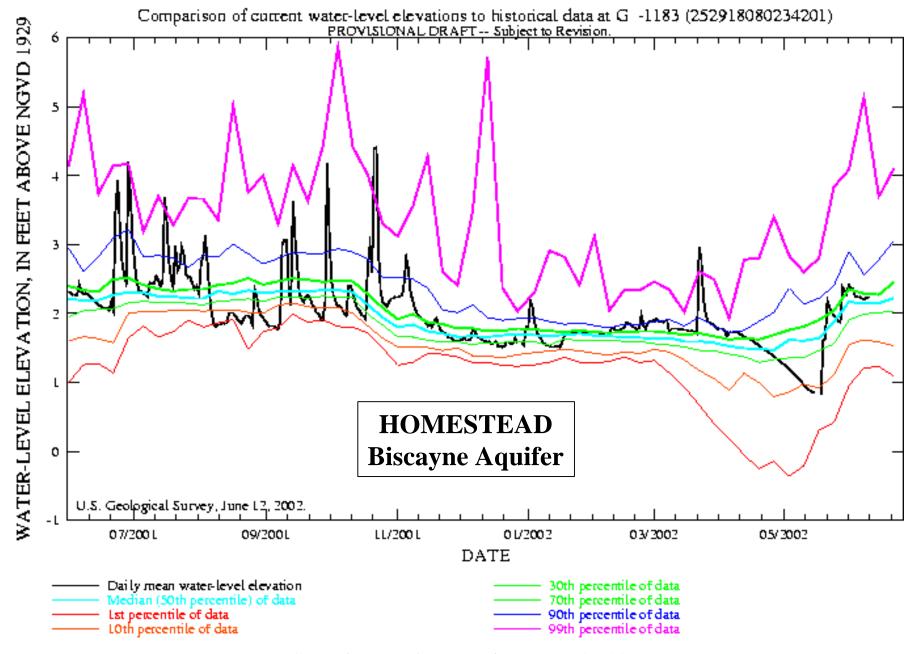
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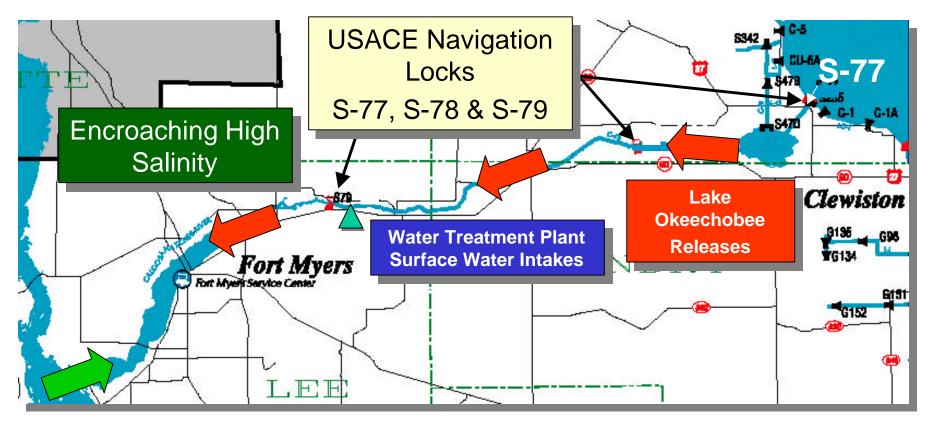


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Caloosahatchee River



- In periods of low flow, salt water intrusion threatens aquatic grass beds and public water systems of Lee Co. and Ft. Myers
- Current weather and hydrologic conditions have required periodic low volume environmental releases from Lake Okeechobee with the goal of maintaining favorable salinity concentrations in the lower estuary